Abstract of the Disclosure

Method and apparatus for use in a computer system comprising a plurality of applications that share a context and a context manager (CM) to manage the context, wherein the context comprises at least first and second subjects and wherein the CM is configured to enable the plurality of applications to share the first subject but not the second subject. The method and apparatus facilitate execution of the plurality of applications by providing an interface between the CM and the plurality of applications that enables each of the plurality of applications to set the second subject; and by maintaining values for the second subject separately for the plurality of applications so that the second subject is not shared among the plurality of applications.